Written Assertion of Entitlement to Small Entity Status

Application Serial No.: 09/754,378

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UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.27(C)(1)

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby assert entitlement to small entity status for this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.27(c)(1).

Date: March 10, 2005

Respectfully submitted,

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This paper is being submitted to address a good faith extent may ment of small entity fees.

When this application was filed, small entity fees (including filing fees) were paid under 37 C.F.R. §1.16(a). After filing, a Second Preliminary Amendment was filed ("Preliminary Amendment," attached as Appendix A), correcting small entity status to large entity status. Accompanying the Preliminary Amendment was payment of the difference between the small entity fees paid upon filing and the large entity fees. However, during prosecution several small entity fees were erroneously paid (as detailed in Appendix B) with a good faith belief that this application was entitled to small entity status.

After reasonable inquiry, Applicants believe that small entity status is appropriate in this application. Nevertheless, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.28(c), Applicants request that the

Deficiency Payment Under 37 C.F.R. 1.28(c)

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Commissioner excuse the good faith error in payment of small entity fees and charge the

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deficiency payment of \$2,127.00 to Deposit Account No.: 033975 (Ref. No. 031792-0311531).

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.28(c)(2)(ii), an itemization of the deficiency payment is also included

herein in Appendix B.

Appendix B details deficient payments for this application. However, because payment of

the first deficient fee was made in the Preliminary Amendment, this correspondence makes

payment only of deficient fees filed after the Preliminary Amendment. It is not believed that a

deficiency payment is owed for the National Application Filing fee, as this deficiency was paid

in the Preliminary Amendment.

If a determination is made that additional fees are necessary for the payment of

deficiency fees or for other reasons, the Director is further authorized to charge such fees to our

Deposit Account No.: 033975 (Ref. No. 031792-0311531).

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